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Discovery Announcement of Opportunity NASA Launch Services

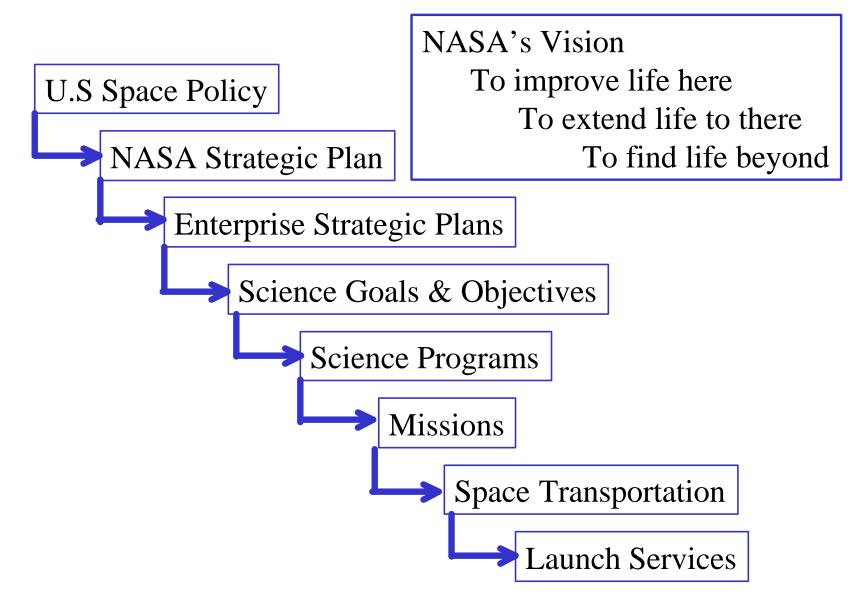
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National Space Policy to Launch Service

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Launch Services Organization

- The Launch Services Program is Responsible for:
 - Identifying and Aggregating Agency Launch Requirements
 - Assuring Access to Space on All Available Launch Systems
 - Shuttle
 - DOD
 - Commercial Launch Vehicles
 - Foreign Vehicles
 - Providing "Front Door" to Agency/DOD payload customers
 - Leading HQ strategy for meeting requirements/managing priorities/conflicts
 - Integrating manifest for both Shuttle and ELV
 - Providing Program Direction for Launch Service Program
 - Identifying/acquiring new launch services
 - Providing Agency technical leadership for space transportation policy discussions
 - Providing Single Interface for Enterprise Payload Customer at Headquarters
 - Establishing Space Access Manifest NASA Flight Planning Board



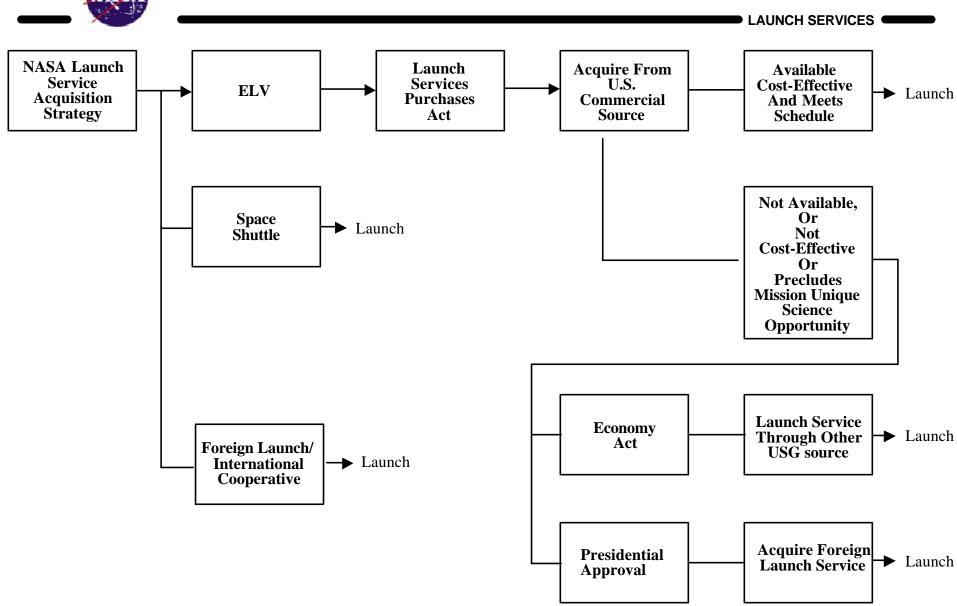
NASA LAUNCH SERVICE PRIMARY PAYLOAD

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- Science Enterprise AO
 - Proposals to meet scientific objectives of the agency
 - AO provides guidelines for spacecraft and launch vehicle
- The proposal(s) selection based on scientific merit, technical, management, cost.
- Science enterprise brings the new requirement to the Flight Planning Board
- Launch service requirement evaluated by flight planning board
 - Risk
 - Launch date
 - Launch Vehicle (availability, launch history)
 - Launch service contract
- Launch services program located at KSC Authorized by flight planning board for acquisition of launch services



NASA Launch Alternatives





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- Domestic Expendable Launch Services Procured and managed by NASA
- Science Enterprise Baseline Medium Performance Class (Delta II)
- Other Performance class missions can be addressed on case-by-case basis
- AO Proposers should not attempt to discern differences in risk or costs within each launch vehicle classes
- Launch Service Costs Costs for vehicle classes are provided in the Discovery AO Library

- Foreign Launch Services
 - International Cooperative Agreement No funds exchanged basis
 - Non Nuclear Payloads Only
 - Address export control & technology transfer issues
 - Launch vehicle availability
 - Consistent with NASA NPD 8610.7
 - Flight history
 - Technical risk mitigation
 - Costs Technical insight & risk mitigation
 - Evaluated on case-by case basis
- Dual manifest or secondary payloads on domestic LV's may be considered under this AO
 - Proposer's responsibility to address co-manifest or primary partner technical, management, cost, and availability issues



NASA ELV Policies

- NASA Launch Services consistent with the following Agency-level NASA Policy Directives (NPD):
 - NPD 8610.7, Launch Services Risk Mitigation Policy for NASA-Owned Or NASA-Sponsored Payloads
 - NPD 8610.23A, Technical Oversight of Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services
 - NPD 8610.24A, Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services Pre-launch Readiness Reviews



NASA LAUNCH RISK MITIGATION POLICY

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- Launch services risk mitigation policy for NASA-owned or NASA sponsored payloads (NPD 8610.7 2/4/99)
- Establishes process to assess mission risk based on vehicle maturity and demonstrated flight history
- Three categories of risk:
 - Cat 1: Missions deemed non-mission critical can be considered for flight on vehicles with no flight history
 - Cat 2: Missions deemed mission critical to enterprise strategic plan and of moderate cost/complexity can be flown on NASA-acquired services with at least one demonstrated flight
 - Cat 3: Missions deemed mission critical with complex interface and higher cost to be flown on vehicles with demonstrated flight history (14 consecutive flights)



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• Launch Services includes:

- Launch Vehicle
- Standard Services
- Non-Standard services (mission unique options)
- Payload Processing Facility
- Nominal mission specific modifications
- Launch service technical management
- All NASA insight, oversight, & approvals
- Launch Vehicle Telemetry
- Safety and mission assurance
- Independent launch service assessment
- Launch campaign and day-of-launch management

• Nuclear Missions includes:

- Databooks
- Launch site accommodations for nuclear materials
- Material handling/logistics by DOE
- Range Safety requirements



LAUNCH SERVICE EVALUATION

- AO Proposers must coordinate with NASA KSC Launch Services Input directly from commercial Launch Service Providers will not be considered/evaluated
- Evaluation of Launch Services includes:
 - Overall assessment
 - Performance (Margin)
 - Cost
 - LV to SC Interface
 - PLF
 - Mechanical Interface
 - Environments
 - Mission Unique Modifications

NASA LAUNCH SERVICES MANIFEST (FY 2005 PRESIDENT'S BUDGET- NASA Internal Use Only)

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